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is pleased to be in position to assist you in your work.

Respectfully,
Sincerely,
Very truly yours,

W. A. Rorer

W. A. Rorer, Director

This design contemplates a hotel suitable for a city of fifty to one hundred thousand inhabitants. It is intended to be of such size and accommodations as to be "The Hotel of the City."

It is situated on a corner lot with the main entrance on the principal street front, and having a restaurant entrance, and a ladies' entrance on the street of lesser importance.

The building has a frontage of one hundred and seventy feet, and is one hundred and sixty feet deep, exclusive of the projecting bay of the dining room, which runs back sixteen feet further.

The basement, and first story are of light gray limestone; the remainder of the building of buff brick, with terra-cotta cornice and trimmings of the same color as the brick. The roof is of slate, with copper hip, and ridge rolls, and has a bronze cresting.

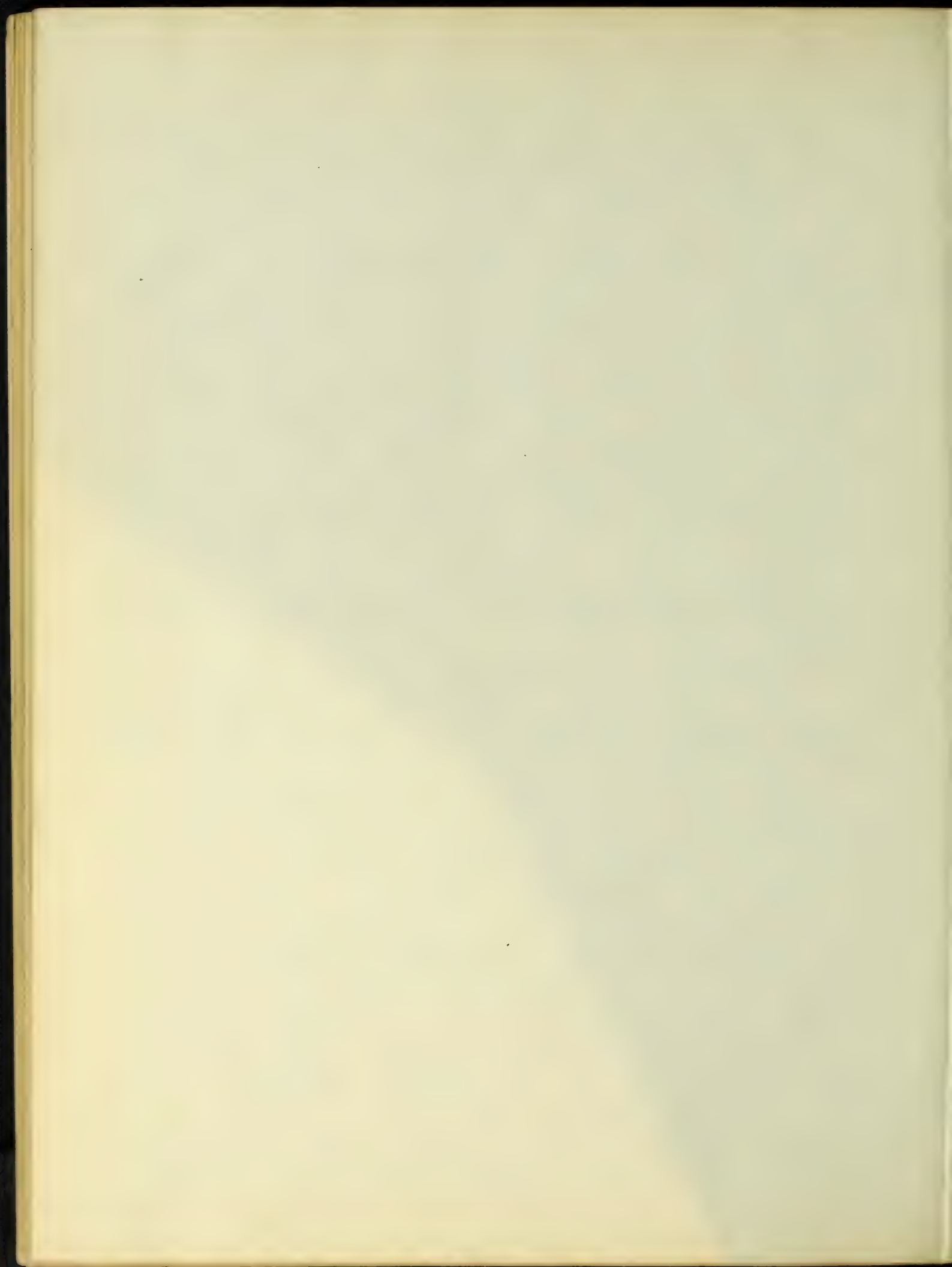
In plan, the building is rectangular through the first and second stories, but above this it is H shaped.

Beginning with the basement, the arrangement of rooms on the different floors is as follows:- The basement contains eleven sample rooms for the use of travelling salesmen, which contain four hundred square feet each. The central part of the basement is occupied by the Turkish bathing apartments, and the ordinary baths.

The Turkish baths are provided with four dressing rooms, two high temperature rooms, two massage booths, a needle and shower bath, and a large plunge bath.

Opening off the inner side is the lounging room, containing five divans, and lighted from the end. The remainder of the baths are lighted by a floor light in the lobby floor.

The kitchen occupies the space



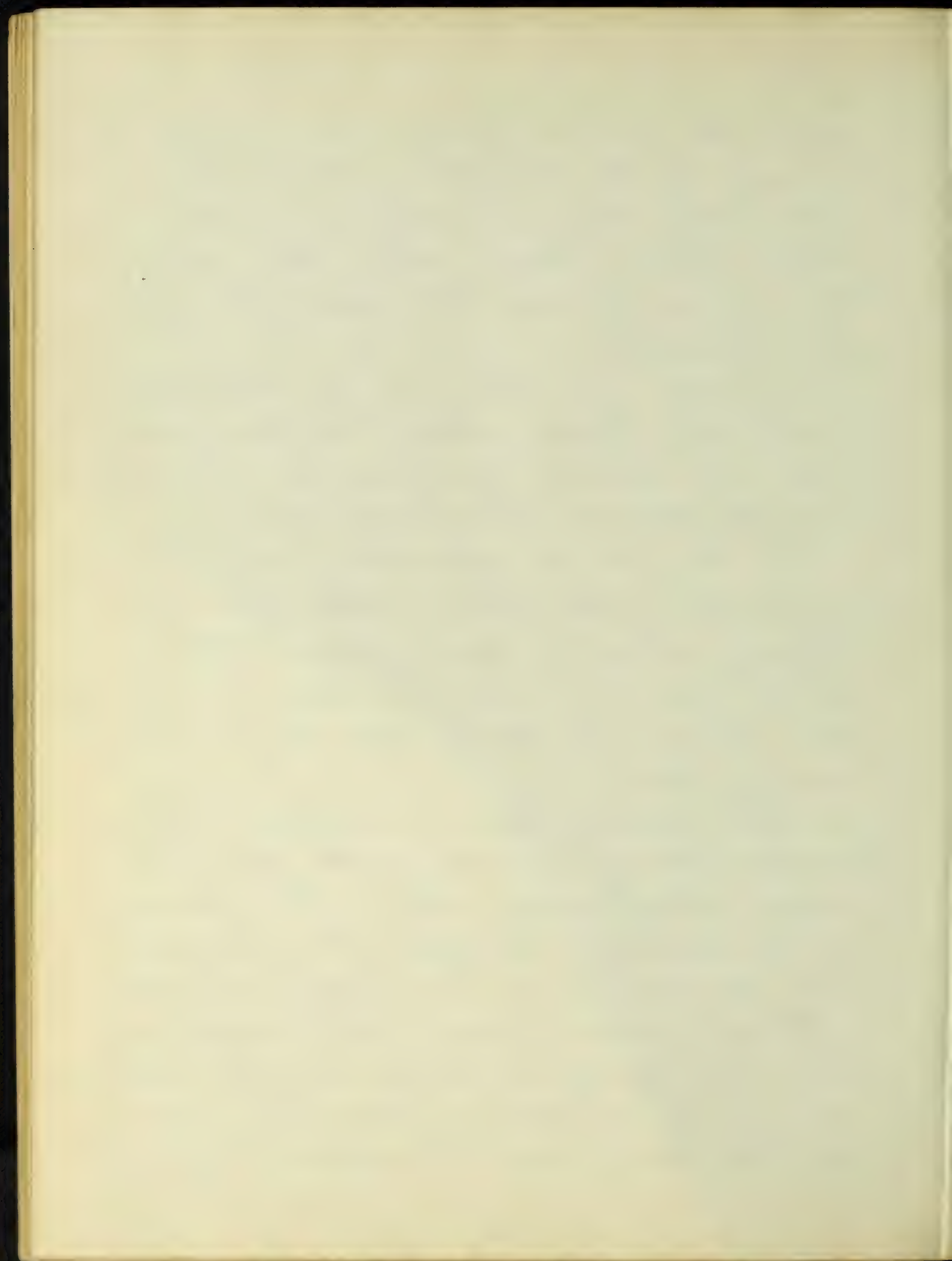
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under the dining room, and is convenient to the dumb-waiters which lead to the serving rooms on the first floor, from which the main dining room, and the restaurant are supplied.

Opening off one side of the kitchen is the store room which is provided with an outside entrance. On the opposite side is the laundry.

The two main elevators run to the basement, and then, with the double staircase leading down from the lobby, and two service stairs in the rear, furnish ready means of communication.

The first floor contains the main dining room with serving room cloak room etc. The dining room extends through two stories, and is lighted by clerestory windows.

It is entered from the ends, and side. The restaurant is on the street side of the building and has an outside entrance. A special serving



room is provided for it.

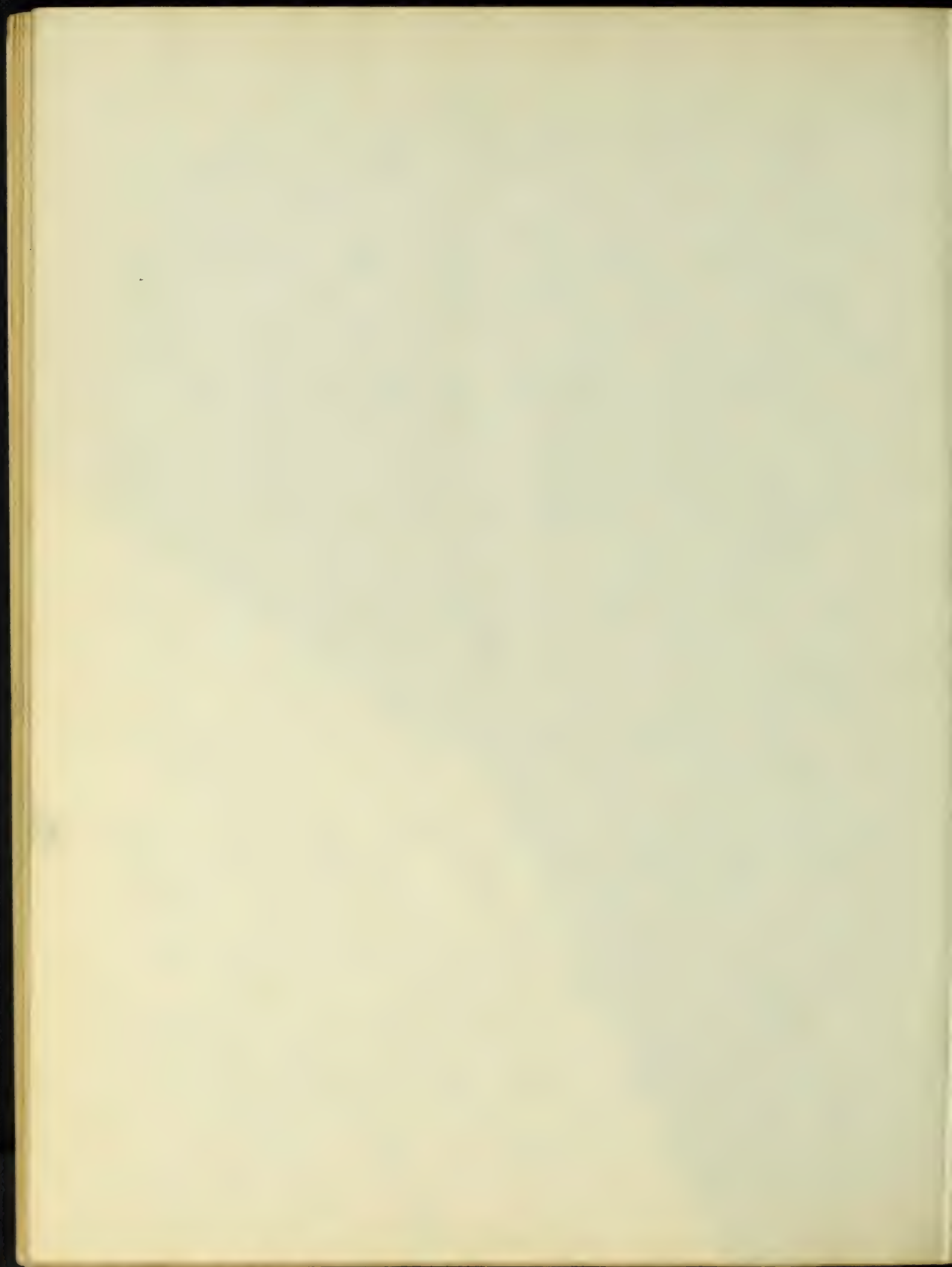
The lobby extends through two stories, and contains the clerks office, a news stand and the telegraph office. The entrance is from the principal street and is vestibuled.

Opening off the lobby, and separated from it by corridors, are the reading room, smoking room, barber shop, cafe, bar, billiard room and toilets.

There is a service entrance from the lot side of the building, which gives access to the servants dining room, and the serving room.

The ladies' entrance connects with the reception room, which opens into a corridor containing an elevator for the exclusive use of ladies, and the stairway. This corridor also has an opening directly into the lobby.

Two general elevators are provided which are separated from the stairs. The stairs are carried up between brick walls running

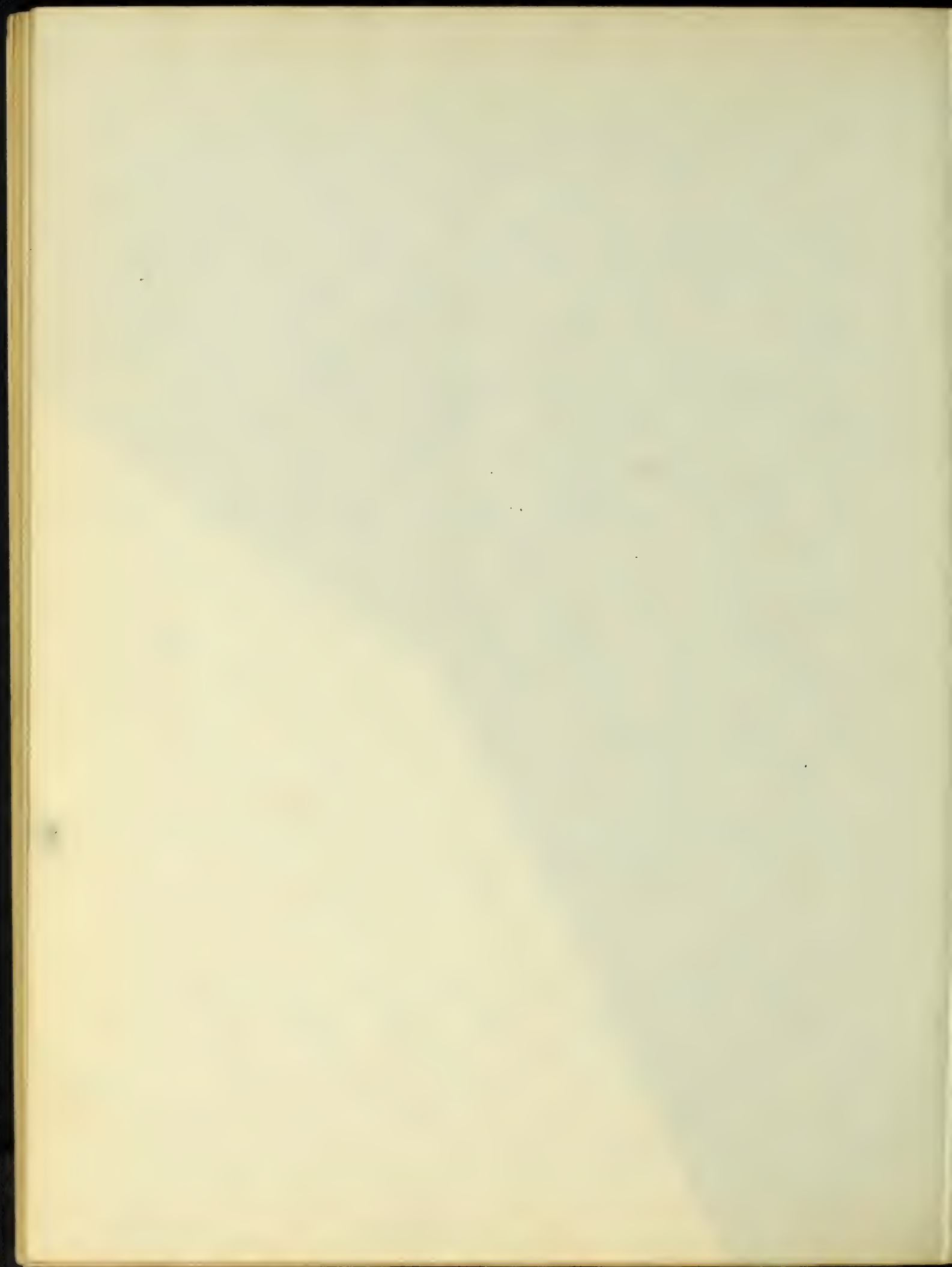


the full height of the building.

The second floor contains corridors surrounding the upper part of the lobby on three sides, and opening into it by arcades. Opening off this corridor toward the front, are the parlors, of which there are three of approximately six hundred square feet each. They are connectable by large rolling doors. A music room and a committee room are also provided in this connection.

There are thirty rooms on this floor, for the accommodation of guests, eight of which are provided with private baths, and are capable of being thrown en suite. General toilet rooms, dressing rooms, linen closets etc. are also provided.

The third, fourth, and fifth floors are practically the same in plan. On each floor there are forty-five guest chambers, eighteen of which are provided with



private baths, and are capable of being thrown en suite.

These bath rooms are each provided with an outside window for light and ventilation.

General toilets, linen closets etc. are also provided on these floors, and service stairs run the entire height of the building at the extreme rear.

The sixth story resembles the third, fourth and fifth stories in plan, and contains accommodations for the sixty five servants which are necessary to care for the accommodation of the one hundred and sixty five guests.

The design is represented by four sheets of drawings. The, Basement, First floor, Second floor, and Third floor typical, plans at one sixteenth inch scale and the Longitudinal section and Front elevation at one eighth inch scale.





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